



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

November 28, 2014

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from November 21, 2014 – November 27, 2014. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information at glose@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Grand Larceny 14-012995

900 Block Plum Street, SW

Between August 1 at 12:00 p.m. and August 30 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that a bicycle was taken from his yard.

Bad Check 14-012940

Princess Jewelers

529 Maple Avenue, West

November 4, 2014 1:36 p.m.

An employee of the jewelry store reported that a customer had paid for a jewelry purchase with a check. The check was returned for insufficient funds in the account.

The employee had made attempts to collect payment for the jewelry however the customer has not yet resolved the matter.

This case is being investigated.

Animal Case – Quarantine 14-012889

200 Block Maple Avenue, East

November 14 12:00 p.m.

A citizen advised ACO Barker that she was bitten by a medium size dog that was tied to a pole in a parking lot of Chipotle. The citizen stated the dog's owner did not know she had been bitten and she did not get the owner's information.

The citizen later decided to go to an area hospital for rabies treatment as a precaution.

ACO Barker is following up on this case in an attempt to identify the dog that was described a medium sized brown cocker spaniel mix.

Animal Case 14-012832

400 Block Center Street, North

November 18 1:00 p.m.

ACO Barker responded for a complaint of a dog that was running at large.

After making several unsuccessful attempts to locate the dog's owner he transported the dog to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. The dog will remain at the Shelter until an owner can be identified.

Vandalism 14-012987

400 Block Ridge Road, SW

Between November 21 at 4:00 p.m. and November 22 at 7:30 a.m.

A resident reported damage to a basketball backboard in his yard.

Attempted Fraud 14-012788

1200 Block Cottage Street, SW

November 17 4:24 p.m.

A resident reported receiving multiple calls from an individual claiming that Verizon and Cox Cable were going to merge into one company and that she now owes a large sum of money to them.

The caller knew some of the resident's information, although the resident had not provided them with any personnel information. Officer Herrera attempted to call the company from the number on the caller I.D. but the call could not be connected. The resident was advised to block the telephone number to avoid further calls from them.

Animal Case – Quarantine 14-013044

The Hope Center

140 Park Street, SE

November 20 5:00 p.m.

An employee reported that she had been bitten by a cat while attempting to perform a medical procedure. The cat had been released to the owner who lives in Fairfax County.

The Fairfax County ACO will follow up with this case.

Animal Case 14-012934
Vienna Police Station
215 Center Street, South
November 21 11:40 a.m.

A citizen brought two dogs to the Vienna Police Station that he had found running at large in the area of Routes 123 and 7 in Tysons Corner.

After attempts to locate an owner were unsuccessful ACO Barker transported the dogs to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter where they will be held until their owner can be identified.

Arrest – Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle / Stolen Vehicle Recovery 14-012997 / 14-012991
200 Cedar Lane, SE
November 21 6:00 p.m.

A resident reported that she and her adult son had traveled to West Virginia. Her son then took her vehicle, prompting her to report the vehicle as stolen to police in West Virginia. The son brought the vehicle back to Vienna, giving it to his mother at the Cedar Lane Shopping Center.

Without his mother's permission, the son continued taking the vehicle. He was now at their residence and threatening to leave in the vehicle again.

Officer Herrera arrested Mr. Jo Coste Spencer Lane, 28, of Melody Lane, SW in Vienna on the charge of Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle. Mr. Lane was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was released on an unsecured bond.

The West Virginia authorities were advised of the recovery of the stolen vehicle.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-01960
400 Block Marshall Road, SW
November 21 10:40 p.m.

MPO Shaw was on patrol when he observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. As a result of that offense he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment.

After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests he arrested Mr. Steven Lucien LeFrancois, 18, of McHenry Street in Vienna for Driving While Intoxicated. Mr. LeFrancois was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was given the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. LeFrancois was held on a \$1000.00 bond.

Arrest – ABC Violation 14-012961

400 Block Marshall Road, SW

November 21 10:44 p.m.

While MPO Shaw was out on a traffic stop / DWI arrest (incident #14-01960) he observed the passenger in the vehicle hide something in the glove compartment. After speaking with the passenger he detected signs of possible impairment. The officer located an alcoholic beverage in the glove compartment.

MPO Shaw charged Mr. John David Paez, 19, of Hillcrest Drive, SW, in Vienna with Underage Possession of Alcohol. He was released on a summons.

Narcotics Violation 14-012965

Cottage Street and Walker Street, SW

November 21 11:55 p.m.

Officer Slebonick was on patrol when he observed a driver commit a traffic offense. As a result of that offense he conducted a traffic stop.

Officer Slebonick found the vehicle to be occupied by four juveniles and he detected a strong odor of marijuana as he approached the vehicle. A baggie of marijuana was located in the vehicle.

Petitions in this case are pending.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-012968

Maple Avenue and Mill Street, NE

November 22 1:24 a.m.

Officer Reedy was on patrol when he noticed a driver commit several traffic violations. As a result of those violations he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected signs of possible impairment.

After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests he arrested Ms. Michelle Lee Pinaula, 27, of Ellery Circle in Falls Church for Driving While Intoxicated. Ms. Pinaula was transported to the Vienna Police Station where she was given the opportunity to provide a sample of her breath for analysis. After the analysis she was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where she was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and was to be held until she was sober.

Vandalism 14-013028

100 Block Center Street, North

Between November 22 at 1:00 p.m. and November 23 at 10:00 a.m.

A resident reported that his vehicle had been damaged while it was parked outside of his residence.

Assault 14-013005**Wolftrap Hotel****430 Maple Avenue, West****November 22 10:11 p.m.**

Officers responded to the report of an assault that had just occurred. A citizen advised she had been assaulted by a man she had met through an on-line dating website. Other individuals at the hotel and a hotel employee heard the woman's screams for help and came to assist her. The man assaulting her immediately left the area when he was told that the police had been called.

This case is being investigated.

Suspicious Event 14-013051**500 East Creek Court, NE****November 23 9:00 a.m.**

A resident reported her patio furniture being moved and the screen of her sliding rear door was ajar. MPO Seitz checked the patio and found no signs that anyone attempted to enter the house and no apparent damage.

Domestic Dispute 14-013023**Echols Street, SE****November 23 11:00 a.m.**

A resident advised that she and her husband were having a verbal dispute.

The husband agreed to leave the residence for a short time to allow the two of them time to calm down.

Juvenile Case 14-013076**Desale Street, SW****November 23 11:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that her juvenile daughter left home without permission.

This case is under investigation.

Fraud 14-013030**600 Block Frederick Street, SW****November 23 4:39 p.m.**

A resident reported being defrauded of money from a person she met through an on-line dating website. The individual advised the resident he was in financial trouble and needed her to send money to a person he owed money to in New York.

The resident sent the initial sum of money that had been requested through Western Union. The individual then began requesting she send additional money.

This case is being investigated.

Open Door 14-013033
900 Block Shady Drive, SE
November 23 8:31 p.m.

Officer Slebonick and MPO Shaw responded to the report of an open door at a vacant house.

The residence was searched and nothing appeared to be disturbed. Officers were able to secure the door.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 14-013043
Cottage Street and Kingsley Road, SW
November 24 3:00 a.m.

MPO Shaw was on patrol when he observed a driver commit a traffic offense. As a result of that offense he initiated a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver MPO Shaw detected an odor of marijuana.

The driver was found to be in possession of a bag of marijuana. MPO Shaw charged Mr. Michael Austin Pierson, 20, of Walker Street, SW in Vienna with Possession of Marijuana and released him on a summons.

Animal Case 14-013090
Just Tires
352 Maple Avenue, East
November 25 8:00 a.m.

An employee advised of a hawk that appeared to be in distress. ACO Barker located the injured hawk and transported it to the Pender Exotic Pet Care for treatment.

Juvenile Case 14-013108
Cedar Lane School
101 Cedar Lane, SW
November 25 12:06 p.m.

School officials reported a juvenile had left the school without permission. Officers assisted in locating the juvenile. The juvenile was returned to the school and left in the care of their staff.

Trespassing / Alcohol Violations 14-013118
100 Block Dogwood Street, SW
November 25 4:08 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of two juveniles trespassing in a house under construction. The juveniles were located in the area by Officer Tracy.

Upon his interaction with the juveniles, an odor of alcohol was detected. They both admitted to drinking alcohol and they were found in possession of additional beverages containing alcohol.

Officer Tracy transported the juveniles to the Vienna Police Station and contacted their parents who responded to pick them up. Both juveniles were released to the custody of their parents.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-013137

Maple Avenue and Lewis Street, NW

November 26 2:17 a.m.

Officer Reedy was on patrol when observed a driver commit several traffic offenses. As a result of those offenses he initiated a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected signs of possible impairment.

After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests he arrested Mr. Robert Harrison Magee, 59, of Oliver Street in Fairfax for Driving While Intoxicated. Mr. Magee was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was given the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and was to be held until he was sober.

Attempted Fraud 14-013143

100 Block Casmar Street, SE

November 26 3:08 p.m

A resident received a telephone call from an individual claiming to be with the IRS. The caller stated she owed the IRS money and she would be arrested if the debt was not satisfied.

The resident did not transfer any funds or provide any information to the caller, but instead contacted the police immediately.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-013160

Cedar Lane and Desale Street, SE

November 27 12:19 a.m.

MPO Shaw observed a driver speeding and initiated a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment.

After failing to successfully complete a series of sobriety tests he arrested Mr. Oscar Rene Hernandez, 44, of Jacks Lane in Falls Church for Driving While Intoxicated. Mr. Hernandez was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was given the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and was to be held until he was sober.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 14-013162

100 Block Courthouse Road, SW

November 27 1:25 a.m.

Officer Slebonick observed a driver commit a traffic violation and conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he smelled an odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle.

The driver was found to be in possession of marijuana that was located in the vehicle. Officer Slebonick issued a summons to Mr. Alexander Barrett Sommer, 20, of South Erin Drive in Oakton, for Possession of Marijuana. He was released on his signature.

Animal Case 14-013166

Park Street, SE at the W&OD Trail

November 27 9:44 a.m.

Officer Tremont located a dog running at large. After attempts to locate an owner were unsuccessful he transported the dog the Fairfax County Animal Shelter where it will be held until an owner can be identified.

CRASHES

100 Block Park Street, NE 14-012913

November 20 6:45 p.m.

A vehicle was legally parked on the roadway when an unknown driver struck it and fled the scene.

Maple Avenue near Niblick Drive, NE 14-013069

November 24 4:24 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in the same lane of traffic. The first driver had slowed down due to the congested traffic. The second driver also slowed, but struck the rear of the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

400 Block Maple Avenue, East 14-013072

November 24 5:45 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in the same lane of stop and go traffic. The second driver admitted she took her eyes off the road and proceeded to strike the rear of the first vehicle when that driver stopped in traffic.

The damage was very minor to both vehicles.

Nutley Street, NW near Maple Avenue, West 14-013075

November 24 6:56 p.m.

Traffic had stopped in the first lane of traffic on Nutley Street to allow a driver to exit a parking lot and turn left.

A second driver, traveling adjacent to the stopped vehicles, did not see the first vehicle emerging from the parking lot and struck that vehicle. The airbags of the first vehicle deployed causing minor cuts and bruising to the driver. The driver declined medical attention.

Maple Avenue and Courthouse Road, SW 14-013070

November 24 5:10 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling eastbound in the 200 Block of Maple Avenue near Courthouse Road at a high rate of speed. The driver of the second vehicle was attempting to make a left turn from the eastbound lanes of Maple Avenue into a parking lot when he was struck by the first vehicle.

The first vehicle then ran into the rear of the third vehicle that was stopped at the traffic light at Maple Avenue and Courthouse Road, SW. The first vehicle continued through the intersection eventually coming to a stop at Lawyers Road and Maple Avenue, NW.

The driver of the first vehicle was issued a summons for Reckless Driving.

Church Street and Lawyers Road, NW 14-13091

November 25 8:53 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was on Church Street waiting to turn onto Lawyers Road.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling on Lawyers, made an improper u-turn on Church Street and struck the first vehicle.

CASE UPDATES

None.

OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES

Please Note: *Remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.*

MEDIA RELEASES

None.

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Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information on any of these cases at glose@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.